

**Souvenir Programme Supplement**

FEATURING  
OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE  
**Edmonton Gardens**

By HIS WORSHIP MAYOR HARRY D. AINLAY



and the  
Western Canada Hockey League Scheduled Game

Between

**CALGARY STAMPEDERS**

and

**EDMONTON FLYERS**

Programme—10 cents

EDMONTON EXHIBITION ASSOCIATION LTD.

Edmonton, Alberta

October 15th, 1949



Frank Currie



Doug Lane



Pug Young



Doug Anderson



Bill Pettinger



Alex Pringle



Elmer Kreller



Freddie Smitten



Andy Clovechok



Bing Merluk



Gordie Watt



Doug Hardy

## Programme of Events

8:15 p.m.—Selections on the Hammond Organ by  
Ralph H. Mumford.

8:20 p.m.—Skating Numbers—

(1) Norwegian Folk Dance,  
by Sonja Currie.

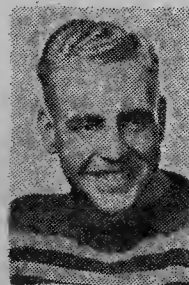
Courtesy of Glenora Skating Club.  
Sanctioned by the C.F.F.A.

(2) Shore Leave, by Bunty Soley,  
professional.

8:30 p.m.—Hockey Action.

8:35 p.m.—Introduction of Players.

8:40 p.m.—Official opening of Gardens, and  
puck face-off by His Worship Mayor  
Harry D. Ainlay.



Eddie Cutts



Ray Frederick



Steve Latoski

## Edmonton Flyers

- 1—Ray Frederick
  - 2—Bill Pettinger
  - 3—Pug Young
  - 4—Gordie Watt
  - 5—Don Culley
  - 6—Alex Pringle
  - 7—Elmer Kreller
  - 8—Steve Latoski
  - 9—Bernie Bathgate
  - 10—Andy Clovechok
  - 11—Freddie Smitten
  - 12—Doug Anderson
  - 14—Bud Evans
  - 16—Colin Kilburn
  - 17—Bing Merluk
  - 18—Doug Lane
  - 19—Eddie Cutts
- Coach Frank Currie

## Calgary Stampeders

- 1—Russ Dertell
  - 2—Hugh Coflin
  - 3—Bud Emery
  - 4—Jack Taggart
  - 5—Bunny Dame
  - 6—Butch McDonald
  - 7—Doug Cairns
  - 8—Archie Wilder
  - 9—Ken Hunter
  - 10—Roy Heximer
  - 11—Dunc Grant
  - 12—Johnny Milliard
  - 14—Archie Scott
  - 15—Mitch Pechet
  - 16—Stan Devicq
  - 17—Julie Sawchuk
  - 18—Sid Finney
  - 19—Gunnar Carlson
- 1—Bob Froelich  
Coach Marty Burke

## Sport Ramblings...and Personalities

As we go to press Friday we find Coach Frank Currie and his Edmonton Flyers en-route aboard the rattler for Calgary in what the Garden fans hope will see their favorites bring home the bacon. That's the way it's being summed up around the Hot Stove League, so go get 'em, boys. The Flyers will make this trip without the services of Andy Clovechok, however, it may be that Coach Frank Currie will have a suitable replacement for the fill in. All the team seemed in good condition other than a few with bad head colds.

Now it's on to the official opening of the Edmonton Gardens for Saturday, October 15th, 1949, a day that will be long remembered with those old timers who still think the Arena name was pretty nice to them.

His Worship Mayor Harry Ainlay will perform the official opening, a sport enthusiast in the city for a decade, a lover of athletics, and a great Edmonton Flyer booster. There will be selections on the Hammond Organ by that well known city artist Ralph H. Mumford, who is a member of Heintzman staff in the city.

We are indeed highly honored in presenting

Sonja Currie and Bunty Soley, two of Edmonton's talented figure skaters, and both members of the Glenora Skating Club. Sonja was runner-up last year in the Western Canada Senior Ladies' Figure Skating Championships at Trail. This young lady has a bright future ahead of her. Bunty Soley is a local lass and has been professional for the past two seasons. Before marriage was known among the skating profession as Bunty Sutherland, and a familiar figure at the Glenora carnivals.

Its on to hockey action and it may be well to look over our flyer roster. On defense we have likeable Ray Frederick in goal. You will like this young gent, not only is he just about tops in hockey, but is a swell lad off the ice. Give him a hand. We will see those familiar faces on defense such as Gordie Watt, Pug Young, Doug Lane, Bill Pettinger, and that much talked of blond Eddie Cutts, who has been sitting on the suspension list for two years, yes, and a local boy at that. As we move on we find that line which created havoc as a unit for this past two

seasons still very much to the fore. It's Elmer Kreller, Freddie Smitten, and Alex Pringle. It's possible names like Andy Clovechok, Bernie Bathgate, and Bing Merluk may form another trio, all have plenty on the puck. It would seem that Colin Kilburn, Dougie Anderson, and another addition to our Flyer family, Steve Latoski, will form a commendable firing line. We may have other newcomers such as Don Culley, who learned all his early hockey in the city, played last year with the Stampeders. That he knows his way around there's no fooling, and latest young gent to be added to Frank Currie's roster, Bud Evans, a right winger, played last year with St. Catherine T.P. Juniors. Yes, he was voted the most valuable player of his club last season.

There you have it folks, along with the Medicine Men who are responsible for keeping the aches and sprains down to a minimum, that's Doug Hardy and his assistant Jack Singleton, young Billy Morrissey, the stick boy, and that likeable old timer, hockey authority and equipment manager Ira Stewart, you've had it. Summing it all up Coach Frank Currie has a smart club, what do you think.

Let's have a peep into the line-up of Coach Marty Burke's Calgary Stampeders. They still have many names that are familiar around the circuit such as Russ Dertell, Bud Emery, Bunny Dame, Butch McDonald, Doug Cairns, Archie Wilder, Ken Hunter, Dunc Grant, Johnny Milliard, Archie Scott, and Stan Devicq. Newcomers to the Stampeders who have performed in these parts are Julie Sawchuk, who learned his early hockey in Edmonton; Jack Taggart and Roy Heximer, last year with Lethbridge Maple Leafs; also Hugh Coflin, Mitch Pechet, Gunnar Carlson, and Bob Froelich, spare goalie. It would appear that Coach Marty Burke has a formidable array of talent in his layout and it might cut a swath again in hockey circles. Marty Burke should know about all the answers. Whatever the outcome in tonight's game it is for sure going to be a sizzler, typical of games in the past when these teams meet. That's all for tonight folks.—J.F.M.



Bernie Bathgate



Colin Kilburn



Jack Singleton

## A Peep Into the Past, 1947-8 —

## What of the Future, 1949-50?



Coach Frank Currie has but four replacements from 1947-8. Could it be another big year lies ahead of the Flyer mentor?

## The Official 40-Page Programme

**will be released**

**Tuesday, October 25th, 1949**